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## **India**

### **Agricultural Situation**

## **Monsoon Progress Report - Three 2002**

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#### **Report Highlights:**

**The progress of the monsoon remains stalled.**

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Includes PSD changes: No  
Includes Trade Matrix: No  
Unscheduled Report  
New Delhi [IN1], IN

The progress of the monsoon remains stalled with several parts of northwestern India, including Delhi, Haryana, Punjab, and parts of Rajasthan yet to receive any monsoon rains. Rainfall activity diminished considerably during the week ending July 3 with only 11 of the 36 weather subdivisions receiving normal or above normal rainfall compared with 19 during the previous week (Fig 1). Important soybean, rice, cotton, and coarse grain growing areas received significantly below normal rains. However, Gujarat, the major peanut growing state, received about 8 inches of rain (three times the normal) causing localized flooding. The next two weeks will be critical in determining the outcome of this years kharif (fall harvested) crops, as the accepted window of opportunity for planting most kharif season crops is up to July 15.

Cumulative rain during June 1 to July 3 was normal in 25 of the 36 weather subdivisions compared with 27 a week ago and 29 during the corresponding period of last year (Fig 2). Deficiency was the highest in Punjab, Haryana, and West Uttar Pradesh, which, however, have assured irrigation facilities.

Fig 1. Rainfall During the Week Ending July 3

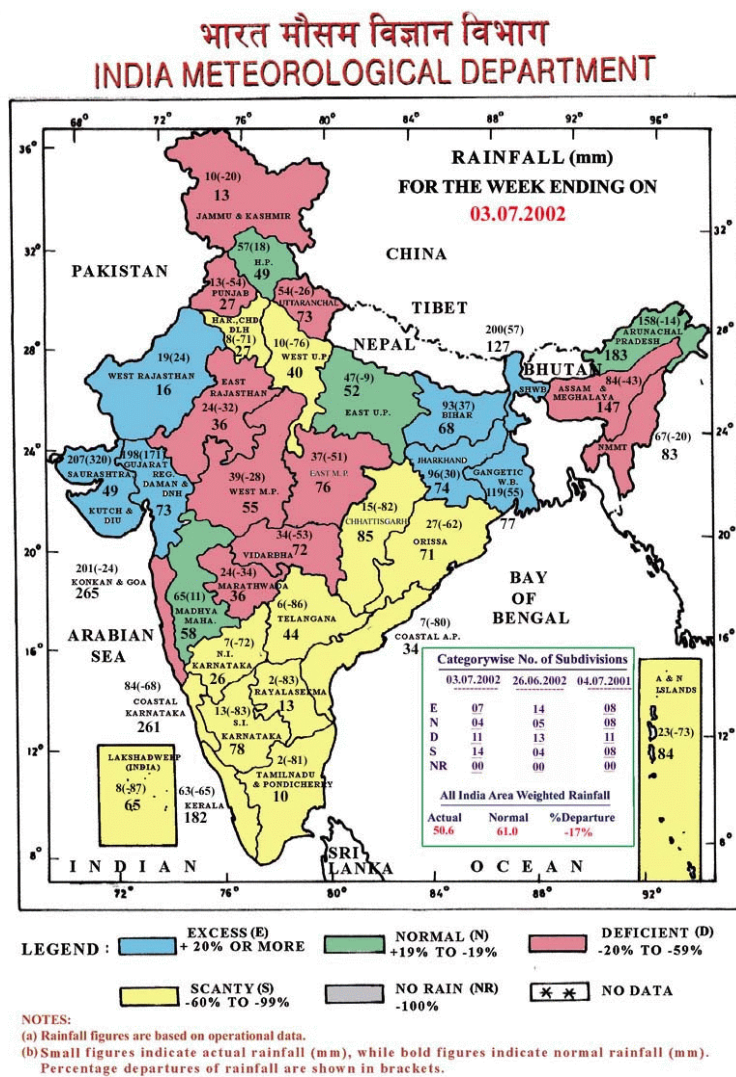


Fig 2. Cumulative Rainfall, June 1 to July 3

